

ATTENTION ENTERING <u>9TH GRADERS</u> AT CHILES HIGH SCHOOL! HERE'S YOUR SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT!



Research shows that students who read score better on verbal tests and write more effectively. Since this is our goal, we have compiled a list for your summer reading choices. You will be tested in classes during the first weeks of school. Review characters' names, plot, conflicts, setting, author's purpose, and themes prior to testing. Be sure to take study notes as you read! Notes will <u>not</u> be used on tests!

English I: All English I students will read Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie.

English I Honors: All English I Honors students will read Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie and choose one of the following books to read in addition: The House of the Scorpion, Ender's Game, Mississippi Trial, The Uglies.

English I Gifted: All English I Gifted students will read Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde (*with assignment) and choose one of the following books to read in addition: Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie, The House of the Scorpion, Ender's Game, Mississippi Trial, The Uglies.

Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie by David Lubar- Scott Hudson's first day of high school is anything other than easy. Scott Hudson discovers the girl he's known for years is suddenly beautiful and unattainable, his bus drivers drives way too fast and yells, and he never gets enough sleep. Could there be a worse time for his mother to announce she's pregnant? Inspired by his own hectic and overwhelming freshmen experience, Scott Hudson decides to write a survival manual for high school for his unborn sibling. 2008 Florida Teens Read Award Nominee; ALA Best Book for Young Adults; A BCCB Blue Ribbon Book

The House of the Scorpion by Nancy Farmer - Matt lives in a strange, futuristic place between the American and Mexican borders. What do Matt and the ancient drug lord, El Patron, have in common? ALA Best Books for Young Adults; National Book Award Winner; Newberry Medal Honor Book

Ender's Game by Scott Card - Aliens have attacked Earth twice and almost destroyed the human species. Ender Wiggin is a genius among geniuses; he wins all the games. He is smart enough to know that time is running out, but is he smart enough to save the planet? ALA Best Books for Young Adults; Nebula Award, Hugo Award

Mississippi Trial, 1955 by Chris Crowe - This is the fictionalized account of the racially motivated kidnapping and savage murder of Emmett Till, a fourteen-year-old Chicago boy who was visiting relatives in Mississippi in the summer of 1955. It is narrated by a young white boy who is angered and disillusioned by the racism and hatred he sees in the community and in his own family. IRA Award for Young Adult Fiction; ALA Best Books for Young Adults

The Uglies by Scott Westerfeld-In the future, there is a world in which everyone has an operation when they turn sixteen, making them supermodel beautiful. Big eyes, full lips, no one fat or skinny. This seems like a good thing, but it's not. Especially if you're one of the uglies, a bunch of radical teens who've decided they want to keep their own faces. ALA Best Book for Young Adults; 2007-2008 Florida Teens Read

Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde by by Robert Louis Stevenson- Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde by Robert Louis Stevenson Many people are familiar with the concept of a "Jekyll and Hyde" character, but how many have read Robert Louis Stevenson's classic novella? Yes, "character" not "characters," for Jekyll and Hyde are one, a split personality. In this novella, Stevenson addresses man's dual nature: good and bad. What is each of us capable of creating? Destroying?

*ENG I Gifted students must complete a Major Work Data Sheet (MWDS) on *Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.* The MWDS is on Mr. Shoenberger's website.